

Cochise County Toilet Rebate Program  
Effective Date: July 26, 2004 / Revised August 27, 2013

#### Eligibility

All Cochise County residents within the Sierra Vista Sub-watershed of the San Pedro River are eligible.

This would include Huachuca City, Tombstone, Bisbee and unincorporated areas such as Hereford, Palominas, Naco and parts of Whetstone. Generally, it is the area south of Highway 82 and between the Huachuca and Mule Mountains.

Note: The City of Sierra Vista in partnership with The Cochise Water Project has a separate successful Toilet Rebate Program. Call 458-5775 if you live within the Sierra Vista city limits.

#### PARTICIPANT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

##### Installation

Homeowners are responsible for the selection, installation, and proper operation of the low-flow toilets. This includes: selecting, scheduling, and paying the plumber. Cochise County accepts no responsibility for the homeowner's selection, installation or operation of new toilets.

##### Documentation

The homeowner is responsible to complete the program application. Application must be submitted with an unaltered original store receipt or service invoice indicating a new toilet was purchased and installed. All documentation should be mailed to the Cochise County Toilet Rebate Program, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, AZ 85603.

##### Destruction of Old Toilet(s)

The old toilet(s) should be taken to the County Solid Waste Transfer Stations located in Sierra Vista, Bisbee and Tombstone or the Western Regional Landfill located off of Highway 82 North of Huachuca City. The normal dumping fee will be waived at these stations for the toilet(s) only. Normal fees will apply for other solid waste delivered. Solid waste staff will verify on the Toilet Rebate Application Form receipt of the old toilet(s). Participant's signature on the completed application attests to witnessing destruction of the toilet(s).

Homeowners will be responsible for proper disposal of old toilets. The old toilet(s) must be taken to a County Solid Waste Transfer Station located in Sierra Vista, Bisbee or Tombstone or the Western Regional Landfill. There will be no charge to participants to dispose of the old toilet(s). However, if you deliver other waste along with the old toilet(s), normal fees will apply after deducting a standard weight of 40 lbs per toilet from the load.

Please do not destroy the toilet before you turn it in. Program participants are required to verify that they witnessed the destruction of the old toilet on their application.

##### Restrictions

A completed application, along with an original unaltered sales receipt or service invoice for installed toilet(s), application verified from a Solid Waste Transfer Station that the old toilet(s) were received and destroyed must be received to guarantee the rebate amount.

- Installations must be located in the Sierra Vista Sub-Watershed.

- Rebates would not apply to toilets purchased or installed before the initiation of this program, July 26, 2004
- Limited to actual cost of toilets replaced, up to two toilets **per property**, up to \$100 for each toilet replaced. Maximum rebate - \$200.
- Please allow up to 30 days for processing and mailing of rebate payments.

#### Eligibility requirements for 501(c)3 non-profit water conservation organizations

Non-profit organizations involved in water conservation efforts, specifically toilet replacement programs, within Cochise County and the Sierra Vista sub watershed are eligible to apply for rebates under the county's toilet rebate program.

#### Requirements:

- Proof of 501(c)3 status on file with the county
- Organization's mission statement on file with the county
- Overview of the organization's toilet replacement program on file with the county

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#### Other considerations:

Proof of installation requirements, destruction of replaced toilets, sales receipts, application process for individual replacements and other requirements or restrictions may be waived or modified for qualified non-profit conservation organizations. Please call 520-432-9200 for more information.

#### Comments

Cochise County along with other governments in the Sierra Vista Sub-watershed of the San Pedro River have committed to meeting the needs of the San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area and the people living and working here. Cochise County has committed to assist Fort Huachuca meet its water mitigation requirements. Fort Huachuca is the major economic engine of Cochise County. Cochise County wishes to reduce or eliminate the threat to our local economy should operations on Fort Huachuca be reduced due to environmental concerns.

Cochise County is a member of the Upper San Pedro Partnership (USPP), a group of 23 federal, state, and local government agencies, political bodies, non-profits and other business organizations with a commitment to meeting the needs of people and the river. The U.S. Congress recognized the USPP in the 2004 Defense Authorization Bill and required annual reporting through December 2011 on progress toward meeting the sustainable yield of the aquifer so as to protect the San Pedro River. The Cochise County Toilet rebate Program is one step in meeting local water management commitments. For more information email [water@cochise.az.gov](mailto:water@cochise.az.gov) or call 520-432-9200.